HOUSE BILL 1342

By Weaver

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to criminal procedure including victim's rights.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-103, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) In cases involving the death of the victim, the victim and the victim's family have a right to have a photograph depicting the victim prior to the crime admitted at trial during the state's case-in-chief, if the photograph is submitted by the prosecution and is a reasonable depiction of the victim.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.